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PRIVATE PARTICIPATION IN MFC
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways propose private participation in the development of Multi-Functional Complexes (MFCs) in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b) In order to provide rail users various facilities like shopping, food stalls & restaurants, book stalls, PCO/STD/ISD/fax booths, medicine & variety store and budget hotel, etc. Ministry of Railways have taken up setting up of Multi-functional Complexes (MFCs) at various stations. Development of these MFCs has been entrusted to zonal railways, PSUs and Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA). At present, 160 stations have been identified for development of MFCs. The scheme includes construction of basic structure by zonal railways/ PSUs and undertaking furnishing and operation & management of these MFCs thereof by Lessees selected through an open, transparent, competitive bidding process. For some stations, the Lessee may also be assigned construction of MFCs in addition to its furnishing, operation and management.